

Diabetes Partners in Action Coalition (DPAC)

March 15, 2005
Michigan State University
Henry Center

Minutes

Present: Chris Ammon, Audrey Anderson, Ann Annis, Harvey Ardis, Sue Barlow, Ragni Bundesmann, Gary Burmeister,, Kimberly Campbell-Voytal, Gerald Clark, Judith Claytor, Ann Constance, Kelly Crawford, Peters Dews, Debra Duquette, Sheila Embry, Katie Fajardo, J. David Faichney, Vicki Ferguson, Mary Anne Ford, Sandra Gordon, Giancarlo Guzman, Francine Haddad, Habib Haddadd for Ismael Ahmed, Jean Hare, Doug Henry, Jan Holcomb, Pat Huhn, Sally Joy, Betty Kraus, Kathy Majewski, Robin Nwankwo, Gloria Palmisano, Sandra Parker, Jennifer Pickett, Wanda Polderman, Kathy Pruneau-Hill, Chris Putnam, Jose Saraiva, Amy Saxe, Julie Shippy, A.F. Sima, Cheryl Tannas, Richard Trice, Chris Van Wynen, Fern Vining, Dave Wollerman, Lorraine Weatherspoon, Corey Williams

Staff Present: Karen Boyer, Carol Callaghan, Shannon Carney-Oleksyk, Jean Chickering, Denise Cyzman, Daniel Diepenhorst, Darline El Reda, Megan Goff, Jackie Grubaugh, Gwen Imes, Judi Lyles, Ann Moeller, Robert Purosky, Karen Petersmarck, Earl Watt

Speakers: Peter Dews, Denise Cyzman

Greetings and Introductions: Dan started the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Mary Jean was unable to attend due to a family crisis. A card was circulated for people to sign. New attendees were acknowledged. Self-introductions were done by all.

Chris and Sanofi Aventis were recognized for underwriting the costs of the meeting. Thanks, Chris! Also, the Board and the Planning Committee (Jean Hare, Mary Jean Klebba, Sally Joy, Denise Cyzman, Judi Lyles, Karen Boyer, Dan Diepenhorst) were noted for their help in creating the agenda.

Introductory Remarks: As the Board's newly appointed Co-Chair, Peter introduced himself with a summary of his background, his interests in diabetes and chronic disease and his thoughts about how DPAC can help address key issues. People welcomed him and expressed support for his leadership.

MDCH Report and Performance Improvement Process: Denise made the following remarks for an MDCH update:

For the current fiscal year, the Governor has proposed \$350 million in cuts. There is ongoing negotiation between the legislature and the Governor. For the next fiscal year (05-06) the Governor has proposed \$1 billion in cuts. So far the diabetes/kidney line has not been reduced. For FY 05 the federal Prevention Block Grant has been reduced by 9%. For FY 06, the President has proposed total elimination of the Prevention Block Grant that will affect some health programs.

She also indicated that there is a Primary Care Initiative for a Healthier Michigan that will address barriers related to prevention and disease management in the primary care setting. It will involve tobacco, healthy eating, physical activity, asthma, and diabetes management. The Diabetes Primary Prevention - Michigan Action Plan is in its final stage of development and

there will be a meeting in April to discuss next steps.

The new diabetes epidemiologist, Darline El Reda, was introduced.

Letters of intent for the Diabetes Outreach Network RFP are due April 11, 2005.

Denise also presented a Power Point presentation on the plans for a Performance Improvement Plan. This would be a plan for all of Michigan and involve the DPAC membership in a comprehensive survey.

Committee Questions: Peter facilitated a series of 5 discussion questions – one from each Committee:

- 1) The first question came from Fern of the Programs and Training Committee. Regarding Community Health Workers, what organization(s) should be responsible for the “certification” of community health workers?
- 2) Amy presented the question from the Consumer/Awareness Committee. The question had to do with what should be included in a statewide resources awareness compilation.
- 3) The Prevention Committee was represented by Gary, who asked the group for ideas about how providers could be influenced to better address concerns around weight control.
- 4) Earl and the Data and Evaluation Committee asked about a diabetes registry.
- 5) Sally and the Policy/Advocacy Committee asked for what might be a tipping point for addressing at least a part of the disparities and access issues the Committee is trying to embrace.

Committee Meetings: The committees were dismissed just before lunch. They were each instructed to complete the “Committee Progress Report” form and make comments on a new tracking form for summarizing progress on all Strategic Plan recommendations. Dan is to summarize both sets of comments and send to all. The committees then met for approximately two and a half hours to work on their own goals.

Last Remarks and Next Steps: The following announcements were made.

Sally Joy - Diabetes Advocacy Day - If you can come, please do so. Everyone will receive an E-mail with all relevant information. Please duplicate and share with others. She would like a full turnout. The Mackinac Room will hold 150 people. Talking points sheets were also handed out.

Ann - This Sunday on CNBC there is a special diabetes program called D-Life.

Richard - April 28 – There will be a JPD support group training for facilitators at the REACH office, 1 Ford Place. Mailings will be sent out.

Wanda – The second “Dance for Life” by REACH will be on April 16 to raise awareness of diabetes prevention. It will be 3-7 p.m. at Amelia Earhart Middle School. Salsa, Cha Cha, Hustle, Bellie Dance, Hip Hop, aerobics and any others welcome. Even Dan, who can’t dance a lick, is invited.

Judi Lyles - DON meeting tomorrow rooms 108 and 110 at Henry Center on the B level. 8:30 a.m.

Earl - Stated that he had created a special handout of the prevalence of diabetes in Michigan. It was available on the handout table. Everyone was invited to check out the MDCH/diabetes web page. Let him know if anything else can be included.

Thanks to Megan and Jackie for putting the meeting together and Bob for once again handling AV and the centerpiece drawing. Also, a special thank you to Dr. Dews for agreeing to be the new DPAC Co-Chair and leading the meeting.

Flower winners: Julie Shippy, Gloria Palmisano, Mary Anne Ford, Cheryl Tannas, Jose Javarez, Dave Wollerman, Judith Claytor, Judi Lyles, Jean Hare, Pat Huhn, Sheila Embry, Sandra Gordon.

Next Board Meeting – Conference Call – March 23, 2005, 8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
(Call 1-888-252-9640 then 9921310 – Dan Diepenhorst, Chairperson)
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Next Full Membership DPAC meeting
October 18, 2005, 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Attachments: Evaluation Summary; 3/23/05 Conference Call Agenda; Board Roster